

On 01/28/1969, a massive oil spill from an oil platform off Santa Barbara's coast caught the attention of the nation, including US Senator Gaylord Nelson, who visited Santa Barbara shortly after the spill. In response, Earth Day was created --the first being celebrated on 04/22/1970. To date, Earth Day is the most observed secular holiday in the world.



# **SITUATION SUMMARY**

## National News - Significant Events

# Smugglers Built Home to Hide Cross-Border Drug Tunnel, a First for Calif.: US Atty.

(NBC San Diego) A secret, cross-border tunnel found in the Southern Californian desert may be the first in California where smugglers built a home for the sole purpose of transporting drugs. The 416-yard tunnel starts at a cement hole in the living room of a 3-bedroom, 2-bath home in Calexico, California, 120 miles east of San Diego, and runs across the border and into the kitchen of an open and running restaurant in Mexicali, Mexico, U.S. Attorney Laura Duffy said at a press conference Wednesday. A hole in the floor – covered with tile – leads to a shaft, descending underground. The tunnel is the 12th large-scale operational drug smuggling tunnel discovered along the border since 2006, according to the U.S. Attorney's office in Southern California. Authorities seized more than 1,350 pounds of marijuana smuggled through the tunnel, following the lengthy, multi-agency investigation. The drugs were worth more than \$6 million in street value. Authorities claim the traffickers scouted properties in the area before buying the home, later instructing the contractor to leave a space in the foundation when pouring concrete for what they said would be a "safe." Once construction on the \$86,000 house was finished in December, co-conspirators rented a "walk-behind saw and concrete blade" from a local El Centro business, Duffy said, presumably to create the tunnel exit. Investigators said they believe the traffickers began using the tunnel on Feb. 28, 2016, based on intercepted calls, Duffy said. While serving a search warrant at the tunnel home, located at 902 E. Third Street, authorities also served two additional search warrants. Officials served a warrant at a so-called "stash house" two miles away, located at 1056 Horizon Street. The drugs were then taken to a warehouse at 260 Avenida Campillo, Suite A, Duffy said, where they were stored before being moved north. Four people have been arrested in connection with the tunnel and are expected to be arraigned Wednesday or Thursday. The recent finding marks the first complete tunnel to be discovered in the area in a decade, as the soil composition makes the land difficult to dig through. At the Wednesday press conference, Duffy said the tunnel also marks the first time investigators have seen smugglers buy land and build a house for the sole purpose of hiding the exit to a drug tunnel in California.

#### International News - Significant Events

### U.S. soldier helps foil plot to blow up school in Denmark

(CNN) A U.S. Army captain working in Iraq helped foil a terrorist plot to blow up a school in Denmark, according to a U.S. defense official. Capt. Bradley Grimm provided "actionable intelligence" gleaned from captured documents in Iraq about foreign fighters from Denmark that included information on threats against a Danish school using homemade explosives, according to Col. Steve Warren, a spokesman for the coalition fighting ISIS. The information he provided helped to foil the plot and resulted in an arrest and the confiscation of explosives" in Denmark, Warren said Wednesday. "Brad's work likely saved the lives of Danish citizens." Grimm, who was based at al-Asad airbase in the western Iraqi province of Anbar, "did all of this voluntarily in addition to his duties," Warren said. He was recently awarded the Danish Defense Medal for Special Meritorious Effort in a ceremony with Danish Chief of Defense Gen. Peter Bartram, the Danish embassy in Washington told CNN. "As we conduct operations, as we work with our Iraqi partners, we are continuously working with them to try and draw out any tidbit of information that we can find that relates in any way to an external attack or external operation that ISIL is planning," Warren said, using another name for ISIS. Earlier this week, the Danish parliament approved an expanded role for Danish forces in the fight against ISIS to include the authority to participate in ground combat operations in Iraq and Syria. Defense Secretary Ash Carter said in a written statement that the move "will further increase the military pressure" on ISIS. As a member of the anti-ISIS coalition, Denmark already contributes strike aircraft, air defense radar, training and assistance to Iraqi forces.

# SITUATION SUMMARY

# Los Coyotes Indian Reservation, San Diego County

As a result of rains and flash flooding on the Los Coyotes Indian Reservation in San Diego County, Mission #2016-Southern-22320 was approved to address the community life safety needs, road repair, and other critical concerns in conjunction with FEMA, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Cal OES Southern Region, Cal OES Tribal Advisor, Caltrans Region XI, San Diego County OES, and Los Coyotes Tribal personnel.

- Caltrans installed five (8'x12') steel plates along with safety signage to provide temporary road stability and improved access over the Los Coyotes Reservation's only life line road.
- Stakeholders will continue to monitor the situation to provide long term solutions.
- Per the Cal OES Southern Duty Officer (SDO), conference calls addressing the long-term road repair solutions are on hold pending the findings of the BIA's Transportation Manager/Engineers site visit.
- The Cal OES Southern Region Tribal Point of Contact, Territory Representative, and SDO continue to monitor the incident.



# **SITUATION SUMMARY**

## **Weather of Concern**

#### **Northern California**

- Thunderstorms are possible across much of Northern California today. At this time, it looks like a few storms could be strong, especially across northern and central portions of the Sacramento Valley, during the afternoon and early evening.
- The Valley will receive between a tenth and three quarters of an inch. The foothills are expected to receive between a half and one inch of rain, with the mountains getting 1-2 inches.
- The weather system will bring snow to the northern mountains and Sierra. Sierra snow levels will drop below 6,000 feet this afternoon and will bring six inches of snow down to pass levels. Highest peaks could see 12-18 inches of snow.

#### Southern California

- A ridge of high pressure over the Central Pacific is expected to strengthen while shifting east on Saturday through Sunday.
- While this ridge is approaching the area, a trough of low pressure is expected to move southward over the central and southern California coastal waters Sunday afternoon through Monday morning.

# **Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:**

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa\_bc\_cal.php

## Cal EOC Incident - 2014 Drought

• SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

# **CAL OES MISSIONS**

### **Cal OES Missions**

• 2016-LAW-22420, 4/20/2016, 1935 hours, Butte County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) requesting SAR Mutual Aid resources to assist in searching for a missing 55 year-old female with diminished capacity. MP has been missing from the Berry Creek area since 4/19/2016 after going for a walk with her dog. BCSO requesting two SAR Trailing K9, three SAR Area K9, and ten Type2 ground searchers. SAR Mutual Aid resources requested for an operational period on 4/21/2016 with a 0800 briefing. Cal OES Law Enforcement Branch coordinated the response. Update, 04/20/16 2304 hours: Shasta, Plumas, and Nevada County Sheriff's agreed to accept the mission along with SAR K9 request filled. BCSO dispatch updated. Mission On-going.

# **FIRE ACTIVITY**

# <u>Preparedness Levels</u> National Preparedness Level 1

# **Northern California**

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

#### **Southern California**

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

## **California Fire Potential & Weather Maps**

# Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8

### Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10

### **California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings**

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php

# **NWS California River Forecast Center:**

http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/



# **WEATHER**

### **WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:**

#### **NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:**

#### **Medford Weather:**

The closed low pressure will continue to move toward the southern Oregon coast today. The low pressure will continue to send a series of short wave disturbance inland and this will lead to periods of rain throughout the day. Radar and satellite pictures show a band of rain across western Siskiyou County. Short term models show the area to be very unstable. The atmosphere stabilizes slightly late this morning as the short wave troughs rotate out of the area, but by midafternoon we expect unstable conditions to return especially along the Cascades. The low pressure will also be moving overhead over our forecast area this afternoon and evening.

#### **Eureka Weather:**

Numerous showers will continue through the day today, including potentially a few rumbles of thunder. Snow levels will fall to around 4500 feet as well. Unsettled and cool weather will continue through the weekend, although shower coverage and strength will decrease overall after today.

#### **Reno Weather:**

A potent Pacific storm will move through the region today. Strong and gusty winds can be expected along with valley rain and mountain snow. A brief break is expected Saturday before a series of systems is expected next week. Showery conditions are expected Sunday afternoon and beyond along with cool temperatures.

### San Francisco Weather:

A cold front will slide across the forecast area today bringing the possibility of a wet morning commute for the San Francisco Bay Area. Showers will linger into the evening hours with a slight chance of afternoon thunderstorms. The best possibility of thunderstorms will be from San Jose northward.

## **Sacramento Weather:**

A weather system is moving inland this morning and will spread showers to much of Northern California through tonight. Expect snow above 6000 feet and the possibility of thunderstorms this afternoon into evening.

# **WEATHER**

### **WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:**

#### CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY:

#### **Hanford Weather:**

A series of Pacific storm systems will track eastward across central California during the next several days. Each storm will bring a chance of showers to mainly the higher terrain and be accompanied by gusty winds on the west side of the San Joaquin Valley and in the Kern County mountains and desert. Temperatures will average near to slightly below normal through the period.

#### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:**

### Los Angeles Weather:

Onshore flow will bring cooler temperatures to southwest California today, with highs in the mid 60s to lower 70s. A weak frontal system will bring a slight chance of showers to areas from Lompoc northward this afternoon and along the north slopes tonight. An unsettled pattern is expected going into next week with gusty winds and the possibility of rain.

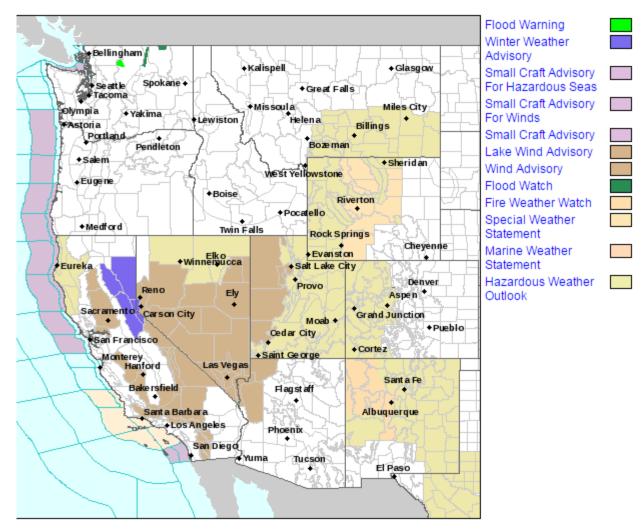
## Extreme Southwestern California including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

A low pressure trough will move through Northern California today and tonight. It will bring cooler weather, more clouds, strong winds in the mountains and deserts, as well as a slight chance of light showers tonight. The weekend will continue relatively cool, but seasonal. On Sunday night and Monday another trough of low pressure will move through California and bring a small chance of showers and gusty winds. Another possibility of rain arrives Thursday.

### **Southeast California Weather:**

Expect another very warm day today before a series of low pressure systems move through the western states this weekend and next week. These systems will lead to much cooler temperatures along with windy conditions at times. However, moisture will be limited and rain chances will tend to be confined to areas north of Interstate 40 until possibly late next week.

# **STATE WEATHER MAP**



# **CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT**

## Cal EOC Incident - 2014 Drought

- The SOC is activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-26-14 on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages
  due to drought, specifically through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households
  without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-29-15 on 04/01/15 which announced actions that will save water, increase enforcement to prevent wasteful water use, streamline the state's drought response and invest in new technologies to make California more drought resilient.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate the Community Impacts Workgroup conference calls. Currently, the calls take place on alternating Wednesdays.
- Cal OES Recovery/Individual Assistance finalized an updated 2015 version of the drought brochure of programs and services for individuals, businesses, farmers, and ranchers. It has been put on the Governor's Drought webpage. State agencies may put the following link to the brochure on their webpage <a href="http://ca.gov/drought/pdf/Drought-Assistance-Brochure-2015.pdf">http://ca.gov/drought/pdf/Drought-Assistance-Brochure-2015.pdf</a>
- Cal OES Regions (Inland, Coastal, Southern) collective OA drought call is facilitated by the SOC and will be held once per month.



# **CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT**

# Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

### **Local Emergency Proclamations:**

A total of 60 local Emergency Proclamations have been received to date from city, county, and tribal governments, as well as special districts:

- 26 Counties: Butte, Colusa, Calaveras, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Plumas, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Siskiyou, Stanislaus, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Yuba.
- 12 Cities: City of Live Oak (Sutter County), City of Lodi (San Joaquin County), City of Manteca (San Joaquin County), City of Montague (Siskiyou County), City of Porterville (Tulare County), City of Portola (Plumas County), City of Ripon (San Joaquin County), City of Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara County), City of Rancho Cucamonga (San Bernardino County) and City of West Sacramento (Yolo County), City of Willits (Mendocino County), and City of Fort Bragg (Mendocino County).
- 10 Tribes: Cortina Indian Rancheria (Colusa County), Hoopa Valley Tribe (Humboldt County), Karuk Tribe (Siskiyou/Humboldt Counties), Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria (Sonoma County), Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians (Madera County) Sherwood Valley Pomo Indian Tribe (Mendocino County), Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation (Del Norte), Tule River Indian Tribe (Tulare County), Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation (Yolo County), and Yurok Tribe (Humboldt County).
- 12 Special Districts: Carpinteria Valley Water District (Santa Barbara County), Goleta Water District (Santa Barbara County),
  Groveland Community Services District (Tuolumne County), Lake Don Pedro Community Services District (Mariposa Stanislaus
  County), Mariposa Public Utility District (Mariposa County), Meiners Oaks Water District (Ventura County), Montecito Water
  District (Santa Barbara County), Mountain House Community Service District (San Joaquin County), Nevada Irrigation District
  (Nevada County), Placer County Water Agency (Placer County), Tuolumne Utilities District (Tuolumne County), and Twain Harte
  Community Services District (Tuolumne County).



# Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.